

HOT SPRINGS NATIONAL PARK QUARTER FACTS

The Hot Springs National Park quarter is the first of 2010 and the first overall in the United States Mint America the Beautiful Quarters[™] Program.

The Design

The coin's **reverse** (tails side) image depicts the façade of Arkansas' Hot Springs National Park headquarters building with a fountain in the foreground. The headquarters was built in the Spanish colonial revival style and completed in 1936. The National Park Service emblem is featured to the right of the door. Inscriptions are *HOT SPRINGS*, *ARKANSAS*, *2010* and *E PLURIBUS UNUM*. Design candidates were developed in consultation with representatives of the park. The recommended design was approved by the Department of Treasury on November 6, 2009.

The common **obverse** (heads) of the Hot Springs National Park quarter, as well as all those issued through the program, features the 1932 portrait of George Washington by John Flanagan, which has been restored to bring out subtle details and the beauty of the original model. Inscriptions are *UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, LIBERTY, IN GOD WE TRUST* and *QUARTER DOLLAR*.

The Artists

- > Designed by United States Mint Sculptor-Engraver **Don Everhart**
- Sculpted by United States Mint Sculptor-Engraver Joseph Menna

The National Site

Hot Springs National Park in Arkansas, destination of the Dunbar-Hunter Expedition sent by President Thomas Jefferson in 1804, features prehistoric American Indian quarries. A bustling town grew up around the hot springs to provide health services. Hot Springs was first established as a national site on April 20, 1832 (4 Stat. 505), to conserve the water from the 47 springs that emerge from Hot Springs Mountain and to ensure that water was made available for drinking and therapy. It has an area of 5,400 acres, and is under federal jurisdiction of the National Park Service.